## Summit Lake Paiute Tribe Special Council Meeting Friday, March 9, 2018 Primary Administrative Office, Sparks, Nevada

**CALL TO ORDER**: Council Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the meeting of Friday, March 9, 2018 to order at 2:06 pm.

**ROLL CALL**: Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace called the roll: Chairwoman Randi DeSoto, present; Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr, present; Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace, present, and Council Member Nedra Crane, present.

STAFF: Finance Director, Linda Quinn

**GUEST**: Brian Melendez, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Technical Assistance on Election issues.

Mr. Melendez was present to assist the Council with the 2018 Council Elections. Points discussed included the risk of a challenge and the time/cost. The Council is concerned if the Election Committee is not formed in time to complete the tasks needed to perform the 2018 Council elections.

With only one Election Committee person, alternate solutions were discussed such as outreach to the Pyramid Lake Tribal Election Committee, asking for assistance from Darryl Crawford with ITCN staff for election day, May 19, 2018, hiring out the job to a firm.

The following are some deadlines for the Election Committee:

- Requests to be on the Election Committee open until filled with Elizabeth DeLaLuz as Chairperson and only member at this time.
- First meeting of the Election Committee would be April 21, 2018 (Council day).

There was a review of the Articles of Association, Election Ordinance VI, Election Policy and Resolution SL-26-90 in discussing the Election procedures and Election Committee. It was suggested to change the language of the election procedures and ordinances following this election.

Mr. Melendez discussed with the Council their interpretation of the Tribe's Articles, Ordinances and policies are open to the current sitting Councils' interpretation and the Council is the determining entity for procedural rules and program organization. He stated Council does not want to request an outside agency like the BIA to interpret the Tribe's rules as outlined in the Articles and Ordinances as they may differ from what Council determines is the right determination. The Council is the authority and can act on their own interpretations.

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr moved to increase the stipends for the Election Committee to \$225 for three meetings. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called

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the vote: 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried at 3:10 pm.

The Tribal membership will be notified of the budget change for the Election Committee to a four-person committee with a stipend of \$225.00 per meeting.

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr moved to approve Resolution SL-01-2018-2018 Election Timeline of Events. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Resolution SL-01-2018 enacted at 3:12 pm.

The Tribal membership will be notified again of the vacancies on the Election Committee and the three meeting dates set of April 21, 2018; May 11, 2018; and May 19, 2018.

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr moved for an agenda change to go to EPA. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. Motion carried at 3:49 pm.

Council signed the check for repayment of deferred debts from past audit findings. This settles the last of the EPA debts.

MOTION: Vice-Chairman Jerry Barr moved to adjourn the meeting. Secretary/Treasurer Eugene Mace seconded the motion. Chairwoman Randi DeSoto called the vote: 3 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINED. The meeting was adjourned at 4:05 pm.

## CERTIFICATION

I, Eugene Mace, Sr., Secretary/Treasurer of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribal Council, hereby certify that the Minutes of the March 9, 2018 Council Meeting were approved with corrections by the Council during a duly held meeting April 21, 2018 at which there was a quorum present, and the Council voted:

2 - FOR 0 - AGAINST 0 -ABSTAINING, Chairwoman Randi DeSoto did not vote because there was not a tie vote.

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Secretary/Treasurer

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